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Subject: October 29, 2010 Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board Agenda Item No. 7 re: *Amendment to Urban State Water Runoff Permit No. R8–2009-0030* for Orange County and the Incorporated Cities

Dear Mr. Berchtold:

The Orange County Development Processing Review Committee (DPRC) supports the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board's proposed amendment to Urban State Water Runoff Permit No. R8-2009-0030 for Orange County and the Incorporated Cities which will extend the deadline for completion of the Model Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) and Technical Guidance Document (TGD).

The DPRC is a Board-appointed committee that has been in existence over 20 years, dedicated to reviewing issues affecting development at the regional and County level. The extension of the of the deadlines for Orange County's WQMP and TGD will provide the municipalities and others a more accessible final product as well as a better opportunity to educate those affected by the Program. Additionally, we believe the economic analysis of low impact development is a critical factor in determining the feasibility of its implementation. We are encouraged that the County is now undertaking this important task.

The Orange County DPRC strongly believes that water quality regulation is a vital endeavor to protect our environment and we thank you for the opportunity to comment on this process.

Please contact me with any questions or requests for additional information.

Sincerely,

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